

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. An inventive trashcan door system, comprising:

5 a trashcan door; and

a trashcan door handle coupled to the trashcan door.

2. The system of claim 1 wherein the handle comprises a grip and lever portion and a trashcan door portion coupled to the grip and lever portion, wherein the trashcan door portion is adapted to couple to the trashcan door.

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3. The system of claim 1 wherein the trashcan door and the handle define two parts of a single piece of material.

15 4. The system of claim 1 wherein the trashcan door is a vertically mounted trashcan door.

5. The system of claim 4 wherein the handle is mounted such that the handle extends vertically downward.

20 6. The system of claim 4 wherein the handle is mounted such that the handle extends vertically upward.

7. The system of claim 6 wherein the handle is coupled to the trashcan door via at least one screw.

8. The system of claim 1 wherein the front of the grip and lever portion of the trashcan door form an approximately 25-degree angle.

9. The system of claim 1 wherein the trashcan door is generally a rectangle less than 24-inches horizontally by 18 inches vertically.

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10. A trashcan door handle, comprising:

a grip and lever portion; and

5 a trashcan door portion coupled to the grip and lever portion wherein the trashcan door portion is adapted to couple to a trashcan door.

11. The handle of claim 10 wherein the grip and lever portion and the trashcan door portion define two parts of a single piece of material.

10 12. The handle of claim 10 wherein the trashcan door portion is adapted to couple to a trashcan door via screws.

13. The handle of claim 10 wherein the trashcan door portion is adapted to couple to a trashcan door via an adhesive.

15 14. The handle of claim 10 wherein the trashcan door portion is adapted to couple to a trashcan door via an epoxy.

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15. The handle of claim 10 wherein the trashcan door portion is adapted to couple to a trashcan door such that the grip and lever portion is oriented upward.

5 16. The handle of claim 10 wherein the trashcan door portion is adapted to couple to a trashcan door such that a back portion of the grip and lever portion forms an approximately twenty-five degree angle with the trashcan door plane.

10 17. The handle of claim 10 wherein the grip and lever portion is adapted to extend below the trashcan door portion.

18. The handle of claim 10 wherein the grip and lever portion is adapted to extend above the trashcan door portion, and further comprising a trashcan door coupled to the trashcan door portion.

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